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### MINNESOTA'S MAY MILK OUTPUT DOWN 0.4 PERCENT

May 2008 milk production totaled 757 million pounds in Minnesota, down 0.4 percent from the 760 million pounds produced in May 2007, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. April milk output was revised to 732 million pounds.

Minnesota's production per cow averaged 1,635 pounds in May 2008, down 25 pounds from last May. The revised April rate was 1,580 pounds per cow. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during May 2008 was 463,000 head, unchanged from April but up 5,000 from a year ago.

Accumulated Minnesota milk production for the first 5 months of 2008 was 3.69 billion pounds, up 0.8 percent from the same period a year ago.

### MAY MILK PRODUCTION UP 3.4 PERCENT IN MAJOR STATES

Milk production during May 2008 totaled 15.4 billion pounds, up 3.4 percent from May 2007 in the 23 major States. April's revised production was at 14.8 billion pounds, up 2.6 percent from April 2007. The April revision represented an increase of 6 million pounds from last month's preliminary estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,816 pounds for May, 25 pounds above May 2007. The number of milk cows in the 23 major States was 8.46 million head, 162,000 head more than May 2007, and 12,000 head more than April 2008.

Accumulated milk production in the 23 major states for the first 5 months of 2008 was 74.0 billion pounds, up 3.4 percent from the same period a year ago.

### MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES

State	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	May 2007	Apr 2008 Rev.	May 2008	May 2007	Apr 2008 Rev.	May 2008	May 2007	Apr 2008 Rev.	May 2008	2008 as % of 2007
	Thousand Head			Pounds			Million Pounds			Percent
CA	1,806	1,847	1,848	1,925	1,900	1,935	3,477	3,509	3,576	102.8
ID	506	543	550	1,930	1,850	1,940	977	1,005	1,067	109.2
<b>MN</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>1,660</b>	<b>1,580</b>	<b>1,635</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>99.6</b>
NY	626	626	626	1,690	1,670	1,770	1,058	1,045	1,108	104.7
PA	549	549	548	1,720	1,670	1,720	944	917	943	99.9
WI	1,247	1,251	1,251	1,685	1,620	1,710	2,101	2,027	2,139	101.8
23 States	8,298	8,448	8,460	1,791	1,757	1,816	14,860	14,839	15,361	103.4

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